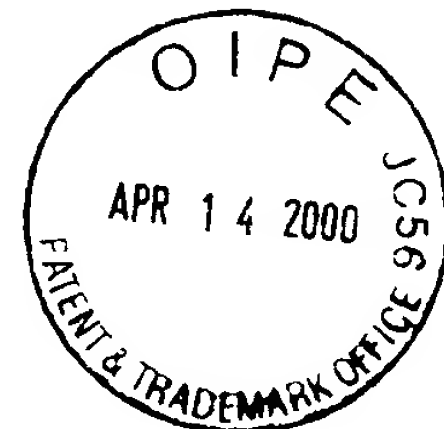


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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The following extension of time is requested to respond to the Official Action mailed October 14, 1999:

three months to April 14, 2000 ; the extension fee is:

☐ \$435.00 (217) ☒ \$870.00 (117).

☐ The shortened statutory period has been reset by an Advisory Action dated \_\_\_\_\_.

☒ An extension fee in the amount of \$ 870.00 is enclosed.

☐ Charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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